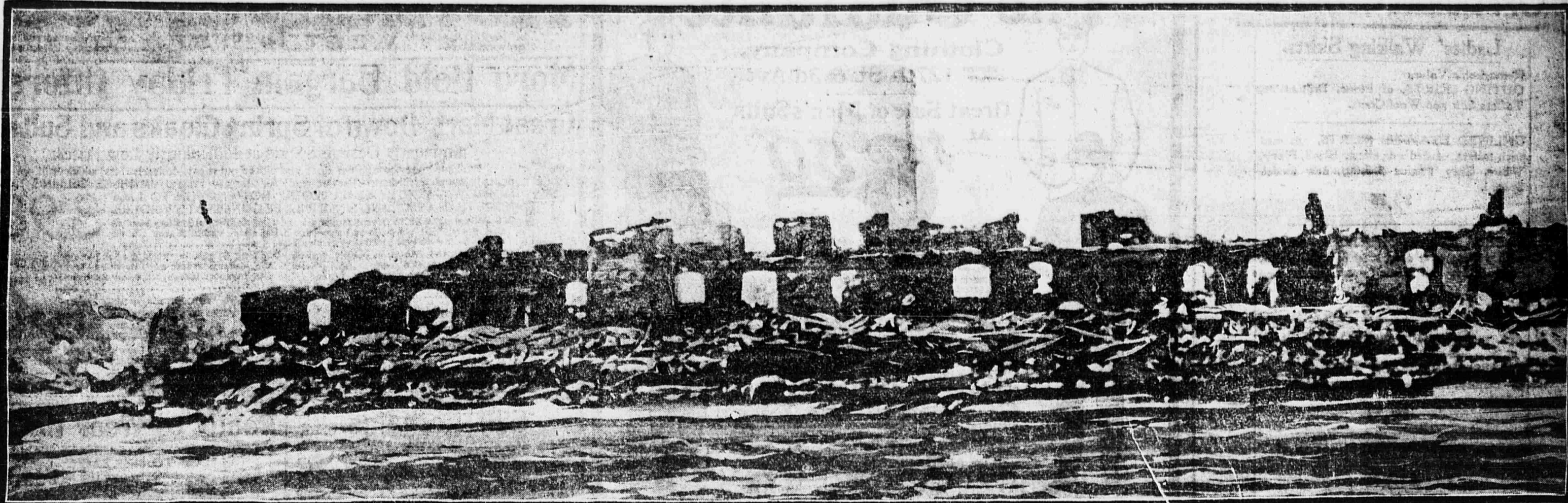
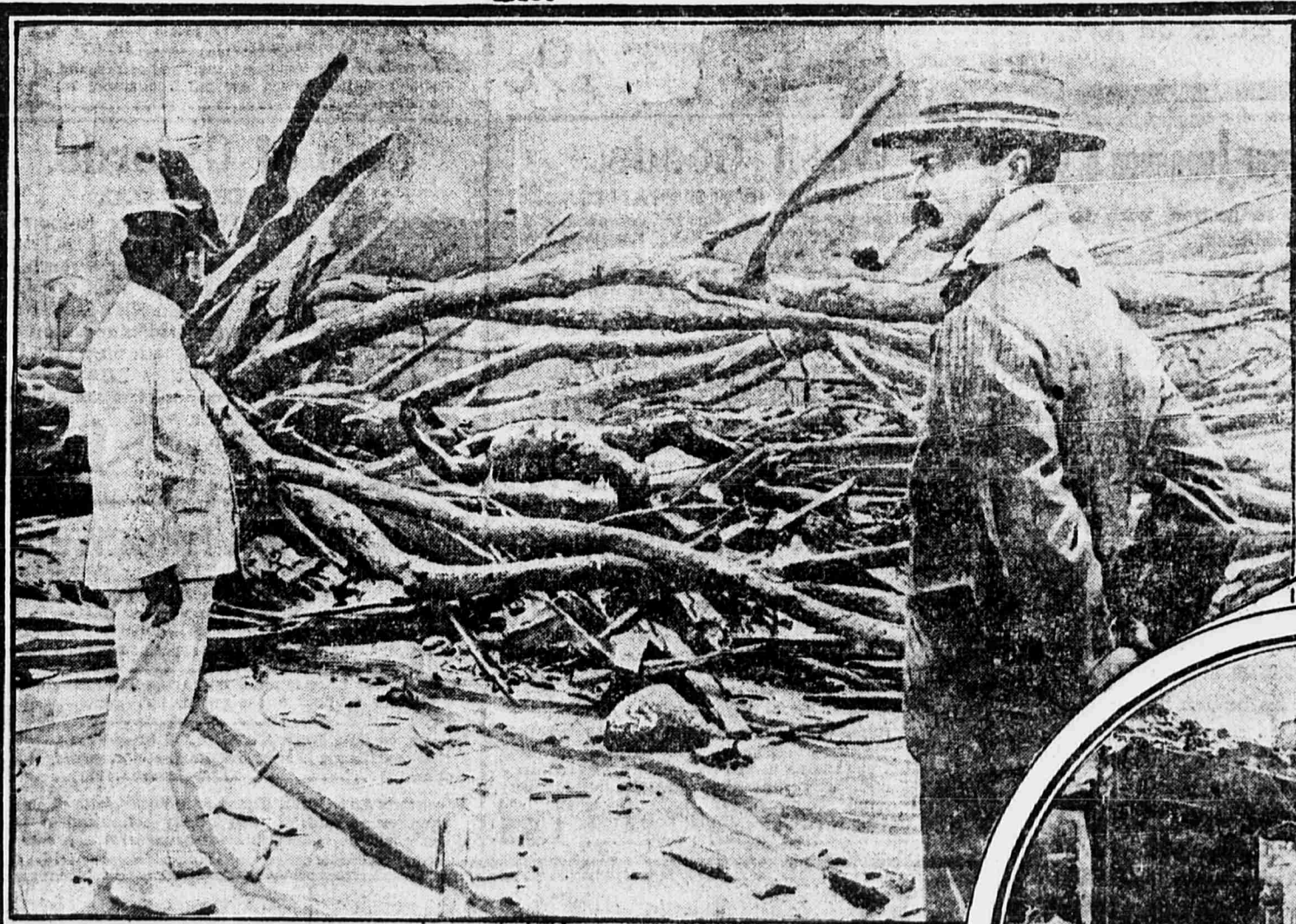


FIRST PHOTOGRAPHS TO REACH HERE FROM RUINS OF ST. PIERRE, TAKEN 3 DAYS AFTER DISASTER.



NEAR VIEW OF SMOKING TOWN SHOWING TOWER OF THE CATHEDRAL



REMAINS OF ONE OF THE VICTIMS



THE FIRST CHARRED CORPSE



WRECKAGE CLOSE TO SHORE

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TORNADO OF FIRE CUTS
STONE WALLS LIKE KNIFE.Line of Demarcation Clearly
Shown in Ruins of
Burned City.

The photographs of the ruins of St. Pierre reproduced in The Evening World to-day were taken on Sunday, May 11, three days after the eruption of Mount Pelee, which destroyed St. Pierre and killed 4,000 persons. They are the first actual photographs of the ruins to reach New York.

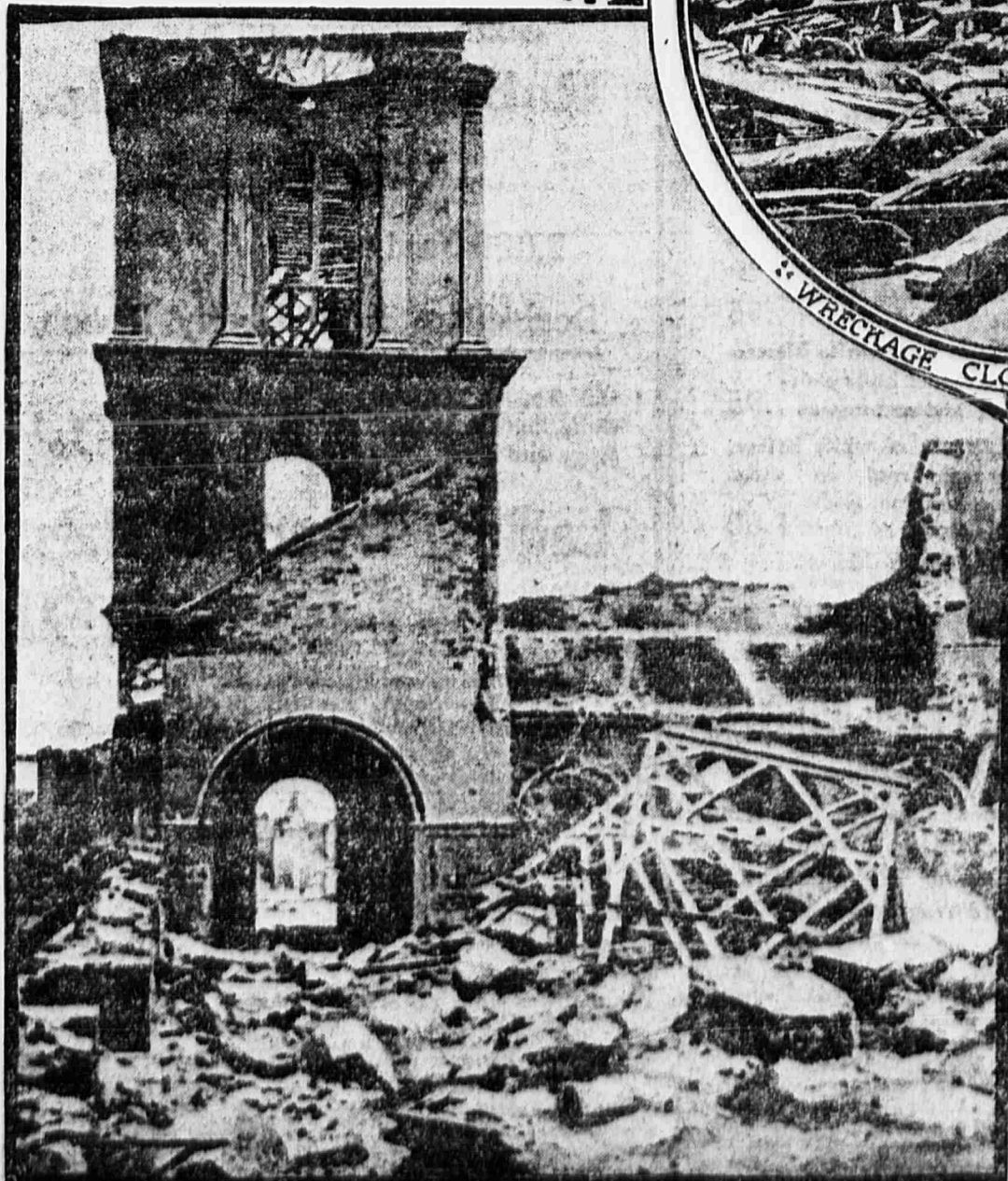
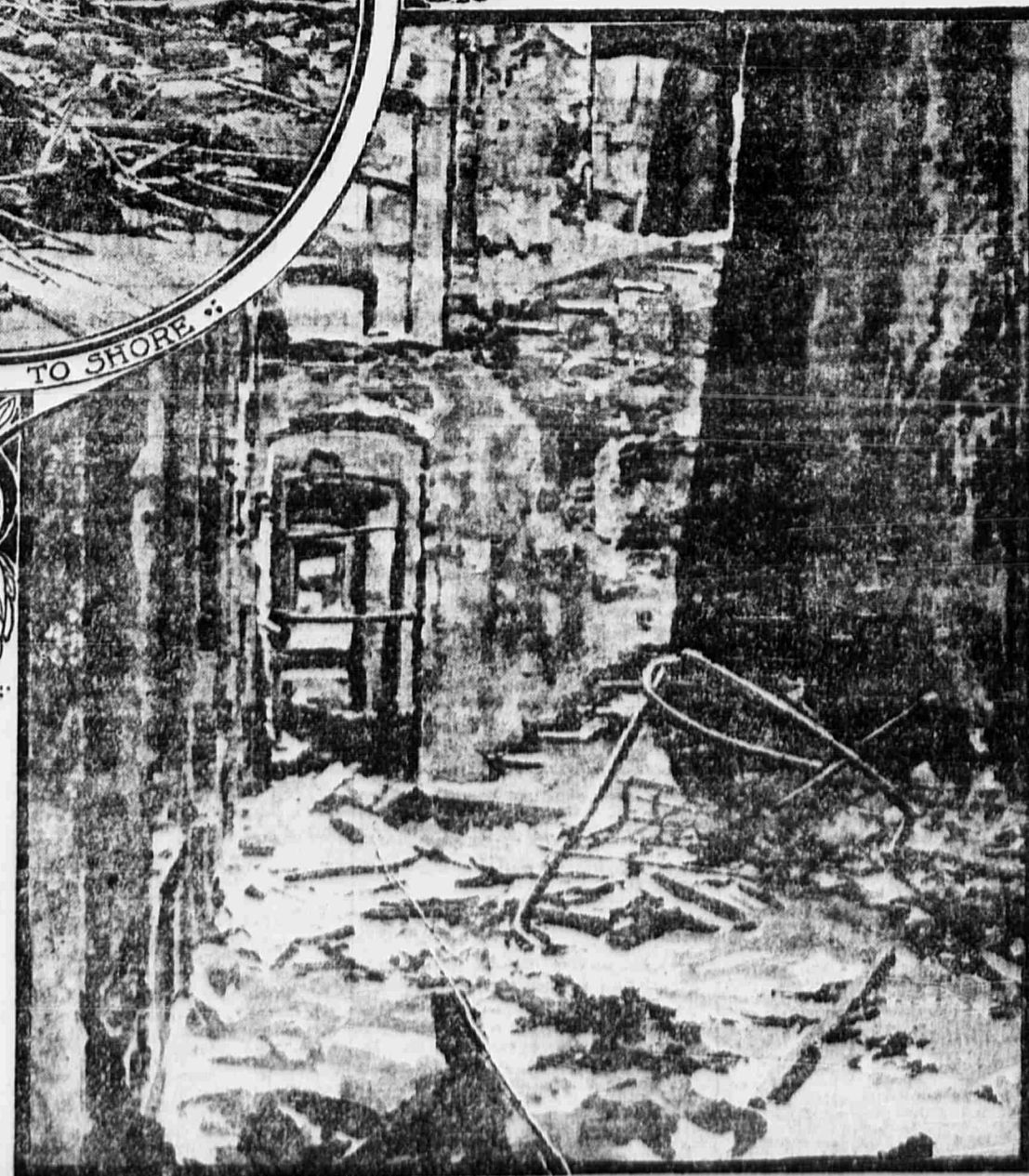
The photographer who took them went from Barbados on the first relief expedition from that place. The expedition left Barbados Saturday afternoon, May 10, and reached St. Pierre the next morning.

Several physicians were in the party and supplies of medicines were carried. No work was found for the physicians and the supplies were not needed in St. Pierre, which was inhabited only by the dead. The relief party, after inspecting the ruins, went to Fort de France, where a few sufferers were found and where the medicines were left.

The World's photographer took a score of pictures of the wrecked vessels in the harbor and of the ruins of the town.

"The most striking feature of the sight," he writes, "was that the destruction appeared to be the result of something red-hot being hurled upon the town at a very high velocity. The whole mountain (Pelee) on the north was invisible because of the impenetrable wall of smoke and vapor; but we had glimpses of it. It appears that a rent occurred in the side nearest the town and that a huge blast of red-hot particles of an inflammable nature was propelled at great speed against and over the town, extending with a well-marked line of demarcation from the top of the hill behind the town to a point along the shore about two miles north of the town. The complete wreckage of St. Pierre could not have been due to fire alone.

"The horrors which presented themselves on shore were such as to chill the blood and make the flesh creep. Dozens of bodies were strewn along the

INTERIOR OF CATHEDRAL SHOWING
WRECKAGE OF BELL TOWERINTERIOR OF COLONIAL BANK SHOWING REMAINS
OF BEDSTEAD FROM ROOM ABOVE

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PHOTOGRAPHER FINDS
HORRORS AT EVERY STEP.Charred Bodies Strew
Beach and Lay in Piles
Within St. Pierre.

shore. Some seemed cast up from the deep, probably sailors from the busy fleet whose charred hulls marked where they had been burned to the water's edge by the deluge of molten sand. Other bodies showed that they had fallen while running to the sea to escape the rain of burning sand. The people were apparently strangled by sulphurous gases from the fiery pit, strangled while running, for nearly all of them lay as they had pitched forward, face down.

"Opposite the landing place there were several bodies of men who had evidently been engaged in picking tamarinds when the fire and gases hurried them into eternity. The tamarind tree lay uprooted. At every step corpses accumulated. At the Post-Office they lay in groups of twenties. By the bank the charred remains of a horse and buggy were to be seen. Near by was the corpse of a man who had just alighted from the buggy when the exploding volcano blotted him out of life."

SUPPLIES FOR 8 WEEKS
AT FORT DE FRANCE.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Adj.-Gen. Corbin has received the following from Capt. Gallaher, at Fort de France, who went to Martinique on the Dixie.

"Effects of the eruption are confined to the northern portion of the island. St. Pierre and the neighboring villages are totally destroyed. Thirty thousand is a fair estimate of the loss of life in the zone of destruction. "Physical conditions are normal, but the people are panic-stricken. This condition was increased by yesterday's eruption, which was quite severe, but did not materially add to the desolation. "Supplies of all kinds are sufficient for eight weeks. What has been done was just what the emergency demanded, and nothing further can be suggested. The Government and people are most grateful. The Dixie is now discharging part of her cargo, and will proceed with what remains to St. Vincent."